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People & Places

Author of the first book on Guatemala since the Red overthrow is *Daniel James*, whose column on that country appears in this issue. His book is "Red Design for the Americas: Guatemalan Prelude."...Covering dedication of the new Air Force Academy at Denver were *Ansel E. Talbert*, *Walter Cronkite*, *Hanson Baldwin*, *Palmer Hoyt*, *Leonard S. Smith* and *Lou Davis*... *Betty Reef* postcards from Florence the fact that she has sold a story to the Reader's Digest on

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OPC TO PRODUCE "FOREIGN CORRESPONDENT" TV SERIES

Some of the most dramatic foreign news stories ever written will come to life on TV when Derel Producing Associates, with the backing of the Overseas Press Club, starts the camera grinding on the new series entitled "Foreign Correspondent", *Matthew Huttner*, Radio and TV Committee Chairman of the club announced today.

Under a contract negotiated between Derel and the OPC involving a substantial down payment, the Club has agreed to provide exciting stories written by its members, plus a well known foreign correspondent who will personally appear on each show.

The full facilities and prestige of the club, together with all of the material contained in the books previously published by the OPC, will be made available to Derel. These books include "The Inside Story", "Deadline Delayed", "Off The Record" and others.

Dramatic adaptations of hitherto unpublished stories such as an *Ernie Pyle* adventure and the murder of *George Polk* by Communist guerillas in Greece will be freshly dramatized.

The radio and TV committee is on the hunt for exciting stories by club members suitable for "Foreign Correspondent". A special award for each program will be made to the club member whose true life story is dramatized.

TIMES, TRIB MEN BATTLE

OVER KOREA SECURITY BAN

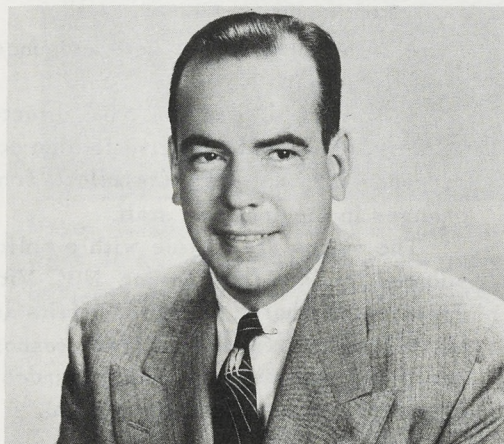


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ANSEL E. TALBERT

A decision last week by the Senate Internal Security subcommittee to suspend hearings on Communism in the American Newspaper Guild of the 1930s brought to a close some of the most interesting testimony in recent years--at least as far as newsmen were concerned.

Winston Burdett, self-avowed Communist espionage agent in the late '30s and at the outbreak of the second world war, began it stating that other members of the Guild unit of the Brooklyn Eagle had been Communists. Among those named was *Charles Grutzner* of the New York Times, who testified that he had been a Communist on the Eagle, but had left the party in 1940.

Under questioning, Grutzner said that while he was a Korean war correspondent in 1950, he filed a story on the first action of the F-86 Sabrejet with a request to the Times to clear the story with Washington, since Far East headquarters would not grant clearance. The



Photo UP
CHARLES GRUTZNER

Times obtained clearance from the Pentagon and printed the story while other correspondents in Korea, abiding by the "voluntary censorship" rule, were sitting on it.

Later, *Ansel E. Talbert*, New York Herald Tribune military and aviation editor, testified that he had been one of the correspondents asked by Far East Air Force to sit on the story of the Sabres, despite the fact that the plane had made a kill, usually the signal for general release. He was "shocked," he said, by Grutzner's action in filing the story over a commercial wireless circuit, and said that Gen. *George C. Stratemeyer* called it "one of the greatest security breaches of the war."

AP correspondent *William Barnard*, who was also covering the story said publicly that "Sabre story (was) secret and not releasable" and *Sankey Trimble*, then Air Force PIO and now an AP correspondent, also said the story was secret.

The Times rebutted with a telegram from *Glenn Stackhouse*, UP correspondent who was involved in the story. Stackhouse, in a cablese telegram to *Turner Catledge*, Times ME, said that charges Grutzner had violated security "ridicu-

Club Calendar

Tuesday, Aug 2 - Open House Reception for Harlan Cleveland, publisher of *The Reporter*.
Cocktails at 6 p.m.

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lous in my opinion, recall at that time I grudgingly admired Grutzner for outprying release while opposition was sitting on hands." Stackhouse called the security question "hogwash since Sinoreds at that time well aware of presence of Sabres from having been in combat with them."

AROUND THE NETWORKS

Edited by Art Settlet

OPC'er Edward R. Murrow and his family walked away unharmed the other day (16th) when a Northwest Orient Airlines twin-engined DC-3 in which they were flying set down in a thunderstorm on a flight from Seattle. The plane crashed into a pole, and lost six feet of wing tip after landing. Impact of the crash broke power line, but 12 passengers and crew members alighted safely. Said Murrow: "I consider any landing which I walk away from beautiful."

A series of transfers were announced recently by NBC News.

William R. McAndrew, NBC director of news, has transferred five foreign correspondents and put into effect some changes in the domestic staff.

The moves are in line with a policy adopted by Davidson Taylor, NBC Vice President in charge of Public Affairs and Mr. McAndrew to rotate foreign correspondents so that they may get "rounded" experience in more than one capital.

Following are the transfers:

Leif Eid shifting to Paris from the Washington Bureau, where he has covered most of the major news stories and all capital events since 1941. Paris will be nothing new to Eid, though, since he was educated at the Sorbonne.

Frank Bourgholtzer, another veteran of NBC News' Washington Bureau, is transferring from the Paris Bureau to Bonn.

Robert McCormick will move from Bonn to Washington, a post he covered immediately after World War II.

Film Correspondent Robert Hecox

will transfer from the Far East, with Headquarters in Hong Kong, to the Mediterranean area, with headquarters in Rome.

Film Correspondent Henry Toluzzi will swap with Hecox, shifting from Rome to Hong Kong. Toluzzi has already wandered far from his Rome headquarters in shooting newsfilm for NBC -- he's covered Mau Mau terrorism in Africa and riots in Trieste.

PEOPLE & PLACES (Ctd. from p. 1)

Mexico... Ben Cohen left July 25 for a fact-finding trip to areas under his jurisdiction as Under-Secretary of the UN for Trusteeship and Information from Non-Self Governing Territories. He'll go to Rome, Paris, Brussels and London for talks with colonial office staffs and then to the Gold Coast, Nigeria, Togoland, the Cameroons, returning Sept. 10...

Long Island University's Journalism Department probably has more OPC members on the teaching faculty than any other university: T. E. Kruglak, dept. chm., Arthur Settlet, Ralph Major, Jr., and Abel Kessler. Settlet, CBS Information Consultant, has been promoted to Adjunct Assistant Professor of Journalism... Elaine Carrington's play "The Empress" will be tried out for Broadway by Roger Stevens at the Westport Country Playhouse during the week of August 22. Geraldine Page will star... Victor Weybright, publisher of Signet and Mentor books, has written "Buffalo Bill and the Wild West" in collaboration with Henry Blackman Sell which Oxford Univ Press is featuring as the biggest book on their fall list...

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SPECIAL COMMITTEE TO REVISE CLUB CONSTITUTION

A special committee to revise the Constitution has been appointed by President *Louis P. Lochner* consisting of *William F. Brooks* as chairman, *Adelaide Kerr* and *Jerry Wynne*. Other names will be added later.

This committee is to examine the various suggestions made at the annual meeting for making the constitution more workable, to make proposals of its own, and to receive and examine proposals by members.

All recommendations for amendments should be made in time for action by the mid-year membership meeting in October. In the past members have expressed disappointment at their inability to change the constitution by simple vote at the annual meeting.

COMMITTEE CHANGES

Larry Lowenstein, chairman of the Placement Committee, has resigned because of the pressure of outside business. *Spencer Valmy* has been appointed in his place.

A special committee to act as Liaison with our overseas members has been set up by the Board of Governors. The president has appointed *Charles Robbins* as chairman.

This committee will enter on active correspondence with members abroad who have questions to ask which are not covered by office routine. Originating in Paris during the visit of Founder-President *Wythe Williams*, the idea has now developed into the formation of the committee. Appointed by the Paris group as their Liaison Committee are *Curt L. Heymann* and *Eric Hawkins*.

COMMITTEE TABLE

Club members who have experienced moments of awkwardness following talks at Open House meetings on Tuesday will be glad to know of the pleasant tradition now established of having a committee table in the dining room following an Open House reception.

Members who wish to continue discussion or questions with the speaker over dinner are encouraged to join the table.

NEW MAILBOXES IN LOBBY

Club President *Louis P. Lochner* wants members to know about the new mailboxes he has had installed in the lobby of the club. Located above and to the right of the three teletype machines,



Mayor **ROBERT F. WAGNER** addressed the Club at a luncheon on July 25th when he told club members of his experiences during his recent trip abroad. He is shown with President **LOUIS P. LOCHNER**.

WHO REPRESENTATIVE ADDRESSES OPEN HOUSE

Dr. Rudolph Coigny, chief liaison officer for the World Health Organization at the United Nations attracted a number of science writer members to the club's Open House on Tuesday, July 26. He was introduced by *James H. Sheldon*, chairman of the Open House subcommittee of the Hospitality Committee.

Dr. Coigny, who presented a copy of the WHO Yearbook of 1954 to the club library, gave members an account of his agency which has more member nations than the UN. *Dr. Coigny* commented on the happy relationship enjoyed by his agency with Congress as attested by the fact that that body approved the whole requested budget of the US contribution to WHO. He described the work of his agency in helping countries meet special health problems.

YOLEN ANNOUNCES PREVIEW OF "TO CATCH A THIEF"

OPCers will be able to preview the latest Alfred Hitchcock thriller "To Catch a Thief" as they are intended to expedite business to functioning committees of the club.

Club officers and the Bulletin have also been allocated a mailbox and members with communications for these are urged to make use of them. Suggestions for consideration of committees should receive speedy attention if directed to them thru the club post office.

a Thief" at a special screening Monday, August 1, according to *Will Yolen*, chairman of the subcommittee on movies of the Program Committee.

The screening will be held in the Preview Theater on the 11th floor of the Paramount Building at Broadway and 43rd Street. Starring Cary Grant and Grace Kelly, the picture was filmed on the Riviera.

Tickets will be made available on a first come first served basis at the Club reception desk or by calling *Will Yolen* at LA 4-1420.

INCOME PROTECTION PLAN

With this issue, Bulletin readers will receive a brochure describing the income protection plan adopted by the club a number of years ago for its membership.

Administrator of the plan is *Carl J. Lundgren*, 116 John Street, New York 38, N.Y. Tel. REctor 2-4223.

ELIZABETH FAGG MARRIED TO LAWRENCE BRUCE OLDS

Elizabeth Fagg Olds, now Mrs. *Lawrence Bruce Olds*, has returned from a wedding trip following her marriage to Mr. Olds on June 11 in the Chapel of Christ Church Methodist on Park Avenue.

The wedding was followed by a reception in the Crystal Room of the Hotel Plaza for a small group of friends.

Mr. *Olds*, formerly with McGraw-Hill, is editor of publications in the advertising department of the American Brake Shoe Co.

NEW MEMBERSHIP APPLICATIONS

ACTIVE

Gordon Graham, McGraw Hill World News 1950 to date; Christian Science Monitor 1948 to date. Proposed by *John R. Wilhelm*—seconded by *Russell Anderson*.

Chester S. Long, News Editor WBNS Radio and TV 1945 to date. Proposed by *J. C. Dine*—seconded by *Allan H. Kalmus*.

Roberto Mujica-Lainez, Managing Editor "Hablemos", Latin American Weekly Supplement 1954 to date. Press Chief of US Information Agency in Buenos Aires 1949-1953, Newsweek correspondent 1947-1949. Proposed by *Dixon Donnelley*—seconded by *Lucia Donnelley*.

Pugh Moore, Associated Press - 1943-44 London, 1944-45 Brussels. Proposed by *Wayne Richardson*, seconded by *Hal Boyle*. Mark Shaw, Free Lance Photographer, currently on LIFE assignment in France and England. US Air Force Photographic Officer Cairo 1944-45, Harper's Bazaar England May and June, 1946. Mademoiselle 1949-53. Life five weeks in France '53, six weeks France and Italy 1954. Proposed by *Eliot Elisofon*—seconded by *Alfred Eisenstaedt*.

Fitzgerald C. Smith, National Broadcasting Co., Boston Globe April 1943 to June 1944, European Theater of Operations, Stars & Stripes July 1946 to January, 1947, European Staff Member. Proposed by *William McAndrew*—seconded by *Merrill Mueller*.

Paul Vajda, Press Officer, Assembly of Captive European Nations 1949 to date. Associated Press, Budapest, Hungary 1933 to 1947, Reuters, London, 1933 to 1938, International News Service, Paris,

1947 to 1948. Proposed by *Hal Lehrman*—seconded by *Louis P. Lochner*.

ASSOCIATE

Charles M. Bayer, Public relations since 1943. N.Y. Press 1912 to 1914, Evening Sun 1914-1917, New York World 1917-1922, New York American 1922-1925, Mirror 1927-1929, Herald Tribune 1929, American 1929-1935, Times 1935-1937, The Borden Co. 1937-1943. Proposed by *Ch. Donnelly*—seconded by *Walter Brown*.

Morris L. Ernst, Free Lance writer, since 1948 trips abroad yearly for magazine articles for Hearst, Cosmopolitan, Readers Digest, Survey and Harper's. Proposed by *Simon Michael Bessie*—seconded by *Ben Grauer*.

Eleanor Lambert Berkson, INS periodically from 1936 to 1955. Proposed by *Joseph Willicombe, Jr.*—seconded by *Larry Newman*.

AFFILIATE

Willis Player, Vice President - Public Relations, Air Transport Association of America. Proposed by *John A. Creedy*—seconded by *Richard L. Williams*.

Shirley Potash, Publicity-Time, Inc. 1951 to date. Asst. to Oscar Hammerstein on London prod. of Carrousel 1947-1950. March of Time TV Series 1950 to 1951. Proposed by *L. G. Hoover*—seconded by *J. C. Dine*.

NEW MEMBERSHIPS

The Chairman of the Admissions Committee announces the election to membership of the following candidates:

ACTIVE

James P. Flowers, Jr., King Features Syndicate.

Franz E. Furst, PIX, Inc.

Robert Gary, Director, Dept. of Public Relations, American (and World) Jewish Congress.

William Laurence, Science Reporter, New York Times.

Charles Burchill Lynch, Editor, North American Service, Reuters.

Henry L. Milo, Travel Editor, American Broadcasting Co.

Bradley Smith, Free Lance, Life, Holiday, Cosmopolitan.

ASSOCIATE

Christopher T. Buckley, Reuters, Ltd. of London.

W. Grant Burden, Director Public Relations, Union Pacific RR.

George Dugan, New York Times.

J. Wendell Sether, Manager-Public Relations, National Board of Fire Underwriters.

Harold Noble Underhill, Press Officer, US Information Agency.

AFFILIATE

Frances Adams, Worldtraveler; patroness of arts and music.

Walter J. Hausman, Jr., Public Relations Mgr. The F & M Schaeffer Brewing Co.

J. Donald Kingsley, Executive Director Welfare and Health Council of New York.

Herbert C. Kranzer, Vice President, Unihias Service (international migration agency).

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